



RESOLUTION 2021 - _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PLACEMENT OF THE QUESTION OF “ALTERNATE PROCEDURE FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO PROVIDE FOR SINGLE MEMBER REPRESENTATION” ON THE BALLOT FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 23, 2022.

WHEREAS, Section 124.011(1), Florida Statutes, provides that “county commissioners shall be nominated and elected to office in accordance with the provisions of s. 124.01, or as otherwise provided by law, unless a proposition calling for single-member representation within the county commission districts is submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors voting on such proposition in the manner provided in this section;” and

WHEREAS, a proposition calling for single-member representation shall be submitted to the electors of the county at any primary, general, or otherwise-called special election; and,

WHEREAS, the specified means to place a single-member proposition on the ballot is a formal resolution, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, directing an election to be held to place the single-member proposition on the ballot and to specify an orderly method and procedure for implementing the revision contemplated in the resolution; and,

WHEREAS, at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on January 12, 2021, the Board voted to place the single-member representation question on the ballot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, as follows:

1. **RECITALS.** The above recitals are hereby accepted as true and incorporated as if stated herein.

2. **BALLOT QUESTION.** The Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County hereby requests, consistent with Sections 101.161 and 124.011, Florida Statutes,

that the following Ballot Title, Summary and Question be placed on the August 23, 2022 Primary Election ballot:

Alternate Procedure for the Election of County Commissioners by Single-Member Representation

Sumter County Commissioners are currently elected "at-large", meaning each County Commission district race is voted on by electors residing in all five County Commission districts. The proposition below would modify the existing procedure for election of Sumter County Commissioners by instituting "single member representation," meaning that each County Commission district race would be decided by electors residing in each of those districts only.

Shall the five members of the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, be elected to office from single member districts by electors residing in each of those districts only?

___ Yes

___ No

3. IMPLEMENTATION IF PROPOSITION PASSES. If the single-member representation proposition outlined in paragraph 2 above should be passed by an affirmative vote of the electors, then no county commissioner elected prior to or at the August 23, 2022 primary election shall be affected in his or her term of office by the implementation of the proposition. For purposes of the 2022 Primary or General Election, any candidate having qualified to be placed on the ballot for either the 2022 Primary or General election for a seat on the Sumter County Commission shall not be affected by the single-member proposition should it be passed at the August 23, 2022 Primary Election. Except as stated herein, any candidate for county commission seeking office or being elected after November 8, 2022, shall be subject to the single member representation proposition.

DONE AND RESOLVED THIS 21ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021, at Wildwood, Sumter County, Florida.

ATTEST: GLORIA HAYWARD
Clerk of Circuit Court

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Deputy Clerk

Garry Breeden, Chairman